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**SUBMISSION OF SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION**

Attached please find the Supplemental Declaration for the above-identified application.



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### FOR UTILITY DECLARATION

### SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION UNDER RULE 67 (37 C.F.R. 1.67)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, and I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the INVENTION **ENTITLED IMAGE-FORMING OPTICAL SYSTEM**, the specification of which was filed on October 24, 2003 as U.S. Application No. 10/691,664.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as allowed on January 3, 2005. I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56. Except as noted below, I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119/365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate filed by me or my assignee disclosing the subject matter claimed in this application and having a filing date (1) before that of the application on which priority is claimed, or (2) if no priority claimed, before the filing date of this application:

#### PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

Number	Country	Filed	Date first Laid-open or Published	Date Patented or Granted	Priority Claimed
JP 2000-392116	Japan	December 25, 2000			Yes

Except as noted below, I hereby claim domestic priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) or 120 and/or 365(c) of the indicated United States applications listed below and PCT international applications listed above or below and, if this is a continuation-in-part (CIP) application, insofar as the subject matter disclosed and claimed in this application is in addition to that disclosed in such prior applications, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56 which became available between the filing date of each such prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

#### PRIOR U.S. PROVISIONAL, NONPROVISIONAL AND/OR PCT APPLICATION(S)

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10/025, 896	December 26, 2001	USP 6,671,099	Yes

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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